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**RESPONSE TO MAY 15, 2009 FINAL OFFICE ACTION; PETITION FOR EXTENSION
OF TIME; AND REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION IN U.S. PATENT
APPLICATION NO. 10/576,142**

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Sir:

This responds to the May 15, 2009 Final Office Action in the above-identified application. The time for responding to the May 15, 2009 Office Action without extension was set at three months, or August 15, 2009. Applicants hereby request a three month extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136 to extend the deadline for response to November 15, 2009. This Response is therefore timely.

Please amend the claims of the above-identified patent application as set out in **Section I (Amendments to the Claims)** hereof.

Remarks concerning the amendments to the claims and the substance of the May 15, 2009 Office Action are set out in **Section II (Remarks)** hereof.